
The Kings Men Group LLC



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Re: Community reentry/Driving privileges House file 4571 Reintegration License

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My name is Erick Washington, I am the founder of Kings Men Group LLC. I am a mentor for Minnesota Reentry Court. I mentor high risk offenders coming out of the Federal Bureau of Prisons. I find one of the biggest challenges for these men is not having the proper credentials for driving. What I see is a vicious cycle of driving offenses due to the fact that these people do not have valid driver licenses; which keeps them from being able to get better employment opportunities.

Individuals that I mentor all served many years of incarceration and all of them had to go through many obstacles to get the information on how obtain their license.

Many of these people are still without the information needed due to several obstacles such as:

- High cost of fines
- Complexity of getting their information from other states

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- Difficulty of reintegrating into society

I know that one of the biggest reasons of violating their supervised release is a failed traffic stop. I have had the privilege of being able to take one of the Minnesota Reentry Court participants to take their driving test and he passed, with so many drivers license reinstatement issues it was a beautiful thing to help one become reinstated.

I am in favor of the legislation and support of the Reintegration License Legislation House file 4571.

Sincerely,

Erick Washington